

extent as if such sums were apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code.”

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, THREE-MONTH PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1976, AND FISCAL YEARS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1977, AND 1978

Pub. L. 94-280, title I, §105(a)(12), May 5, 1976, 90 Stat. 427, authorized the appropriation of not to exceed \$1,250,000 for the Virgin Islands and Guam and not to exceed \$250,000 for American Samoa for the three-month period ending Sept. 30, 1976, and not to exceed \$5,000,000 for the Virgin Islands and Guam and not to exceed \$1,000,000 for American Samoa for the fiscal years ending Sept. 30, 1977, and 1978, such sums to be available for obligation at the beginning of the fiscal year for which authorized.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1974, 1975, AND 1976

Pub. L. 93-87, title I, §104(a)(12), Aug. 13, 1973, 87 Stat. 252, authorized the appropriation for each of fiscal years ending June 30, 1974, 1975, and 1976 of not to exceed \$5,000,000 for the Virgin Islands, not to exceed \$2,000,000 for Guam, and not to exceed \$1,000,000 for American Samoa, such sums to be available for obligation at the beginning of the fiscal year for which authorized.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1971, 1972, AND 1973

Section 112(c), (d) of Pub. L. 91-605 authorized the appropriation of not to exceed \$2,000,000 for each of fiscal years ending June 30, 1971, 1972, and 1973, for the Virgin Islands and Guam, and \$500,000 for American Samoa, to carry out section 215(a) of this title; the sums appropriated for fiscal 1971 to be made available immediately and sums appropriated for fiscal 1972 and 1973 to be available at the beginning of the fiscal year for which authorized.

§ 216. Darien Gap Highway

(a) The United States shall cooperate with the Government of the Republic of Panama and with the Government of Colombia in the construction of approximately two hundred and fifty miles of highway in such countries in the location known as the “Darien Gap” to connect the Inter-American Highway authorized by section 212 of this title with the Pan American Highway System of South America. Such highway shall be known as the “Darien Gap Highway”. Funds authorized by this section shall be obligated and expended subject to the same terms, conditions, and requirements with respect to the Darien Gap Highway as are funds authorized for the Inter-American Highway by subsection (a) of section 212 of this title.

(b) The construction authorized by this section shall be under the administration of the Secretary who shall consult with the appropriate officials of the Department of State with respect to matters involving the foreign relations of this Government, and such negotiations with the Governments of the Republic of Panama and Colombia as may be required to carry out the purposes of this section shall be conducted through, or authorized by, the Department of State.

(c) The provisions of this section shall not create nor authorize the creation of any obligations on the part of the Government of the United States with respect to any expenditures for highway survey or construction heretofore or hereafter undertaken in Panama or Colombia,

other than the expenditures authorized by the provision of this section.

(d) Appropriations made pursuant to any authorization for the Darien Gap Highway shall be available for expenditure by the Secretary for necessary administrative and engineering expenses in connection with the Darien Gap Highway program.

(e) For the purposes of this section the term “construction” does not include any costs of rights-of-way, relocation assistance, or the elimination of hazards of railway grade crossings.

(Added Pub. L. 91-605, title I, §113(a), Dec. 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 1721.)

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

Section 113(c) of Pub. L. 91-605 provided that: “There is hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$100,000,000, to remain available until expended to enable the Secretary of Transportation to carry out section 216 of title 23, United States Code.”

§ 217. Bicycle transportation and pedestrian walkways

(a) **USE OF STP AND CONGESTION MITIGATION PROGRAM FUNDS.**—Subject to project approval by the Secretary, a State may obligate funds apportioned to it under sections 104(b)(2) and 104(b)(3) of this title for construction of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities and for carrying out nonconstruction projects related to safe bicycle use.

(b) **USE OF NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM FUNDS.**—Subject to project approval by the Secretary, a State may obligate funds apportioned to it under section 104(b)(1) of this title for construction of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities on land adjacent to any highway on the National Highway System.

(c) **USE OF FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY FUNDS.**—Funds authorized for forest highways, forest development roads and trails, public lands development roads and trails, park roads, parkways, Indian reservation roads, and public lands highways shall be available, at the discretion of the department charged with the administration of such funds, for the construction of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities in conjunction with such trails, roads, highways, and parkways.

(d) **STATE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN COORDINATORS.**—Each State receiving an apportionment under sections 104(b)(2) and 104(b)(3) of this title shall use such amount of the apportionment as may be necessary to fund in the State department of transportation a position of bicycle and pedestrian coordinator for promoting and facilitating the increased use of nonmotorized modes of transportation, including developing facilities for the use of pedestrians and bicyclists and public education, promotional, and safety programs for using such facilities.

(e) **BRIDGES.**—In any case where a highway bridge deck being replaced or rehabilitated with Federal financial participation is located on a highway on which bicycles are permitted to operate at each end of such bridge, and the Secretary determines that the safe accommodation of bicycles can be provided at reasonable cost as part of such replacement or rehabilitation, then